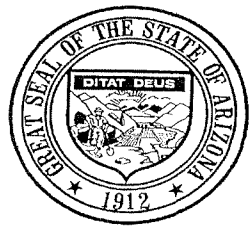


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September 3, 2003

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Mr. Roy Tanney
Department of Real Estate
2910 North 44th Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85018

**RE: Paradise Heights, Gila County
Water Adequacy Report #22-401022**

Dear Mr. Tanney:

Pursuant to A.R.S. §45-108, the Department of Water Resources has information on the water supply for "**Paradise Heights**" located in sections 8 and 9, T10N, R10E, G&S R B&M.

Water for domestic use will be provided to each of the **16** lots in the subdivision by the Town of Payson. Adequacy of the water supply was reviewed by the Department with regard to quantity, quality and dependability.

No information has been provided regarding the long-term dependability of the water supply. Because it has not been demonstrated that a 100-year water supply is available to each lot based on the Department's physical availability criteria, the Department of Water Resources must find the water supply to be *inadequate* for the proposed use.

A.R.S. §32-2181.F. requires a summary of the Department's report for dry lot subdivisions or those with an inadequate water supply be included in all promotional material and contracts for sales of lots in the subdivision. We suggest the following synopsis:

"**Paradise Heights**, is a residential subdivision being sold with the domestic water supply to be provided by the Town of Payson. The principal water-bearing unit in the area is fractured granite. The depth to groundwater may range from about 10 to 260 feet below land surface. The quality of the water should be acceptable for domestic use. The developer has chosen not to demonstrate that a 100-year adequate water supply exists and therefore the Department of Water Resources must find the water supply to be *inadequate*."

The developer, pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2181F, may suggest a different summary of this report, but it must contain the above elements and/or the Department's findings. Any change to the above subdivision or water supply plans may invalidate this decision.

This letter constitutes the Department of Water Resources' report on the subdivision water supply and is being forwarded to your office as required by A.R.S. §45-108. This law requires the developer to hold the recordation of the above subdivision's plats until receipt of the Department's report on the subdivision's water supply. By copy of the report, the Gila County Recorder is being officially notified of the developer's compliance with the law.

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This is an appealable agency action. The applicant is entitled to appeal this action. Rights to appeal are described in the *Notice of Right of Appeal*.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please call Brett Shaner at 602-417-2448.

Sincerely,



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Acting Chief Hydrologist

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Enclosure: Right of Appeal

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